(b) what is the amount of profit earned by the corporation annually for providing such buses on hire basis to the schools ; and

(c) what is the duration of time for which these buses remain at the disposal of such schools everyday?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) 694 buses.

(b) Corporation does not earn profit on these operations.

(c) Average duration per trip is of one to one and half hours, depending on the route length.

Under-weighing of Export Shipments by International Airlines

961. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Airports Authority of India has been sustaining losses to the tune of crores of rupees every year due to underweighing of export shipment by international airlines;

(b) whether Government have investigated into it;

(c) if so, what are the details of losses suffered during the past five years;

(d) whether any action has been contemplated against the agents found indulged in such activities; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and what further steps Government propose to take to weigh the exact export shipments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) It may not be correct to affirm that the IAAI has been sustaining losses to the tune of crores of rupees due to underweighing of export shipments.

(b) and (c) On the basis of sample checks done in this behalf, the incidence of revenue loss on account of under weighment has been negligible.

(d) and (e) whenever underweighing is detected the same is brought to the notice of concerned airlines for corrective action and penal charges are also levied

Influx of refugees from Bangladesh

962. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:
SHRI D.B. CHANDRE GOWDA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister (while talking to reporters) in the third week of January last, at the Agartala airport, expressed grave concern at the continuous influx of minority refugees from Bangladesh since early last year on two counts, namely, the burden of sheltering the large number of refugees and the reason of the coming of the refugees, *i.e.*, religious intolerance in Bangladesh; if so, what are the details in this regard;

(b) what steps have been taken by Government to met the situation and with what results;

(c) by when an amicable solution is likely to be achieved; and